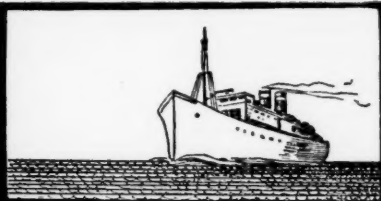


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The 1939 Specialized Catalog

ON Monday, October 24, the 1939 edition of the U. S. Stamp Catalogue, better known as the "Specialized" appeared. Again the catalog is increased in size, containing 56 more pages than were included in the 1938 edition. Aside from price changes, etc., two things of importance are readily noticeable. First are the illustrations approximately one-and one-half times actual size of all the adhesive postage stamps. Most important change is however not so noticeable, but very important. This is the changing of the heading of the first paragraph under "Introductory Notes" from "Prices" to "Valuations." This is the first edition of the book printed by the new firm of Scott Publications, Inc., and as they do not deal in stamps, hence the prices quoted are no longer the prices at which the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. would sell copies, but rather Scott Publications' estimate of the value of the stamps listed. The book no longer, therefore, is the price list of any firm dealing in stamps.

Most of the changes in pricing have been made in the 19th Century postage issues. A new feature of the 1939 edition is the pricing of each stamp on cover during the year or years when it was currently being issued at post offices. Many collectors will be surprised to find how much more some stamps are worth on covers as compared with other cancelled or uncanceled copies of that particular stamp.

The Postmasters Provisionals show no changes other than to increase the price of the 5c St. Louis to \$500 unused. In the '47s the 5c with Railroad cancel is increased from \$40 to \$50; and the price of \$100 for Canadian cancel is now omitted. In the 10c we find a new listing "on cover with 5c" and priced in that form at \$300. Also a new listing is "pair on cover" at \$300.

The 1c 1851 type I on cover goes to \$2,000 from \$1,500, while in the type II is noted a change in the listing of the double transfer varieties which is carried through the other 1c 1851-60 issues. The old listing of double inverted transfers is omitted and replaced with two new listings. These are "Double transfer, one inverted" and "Triple transfer, one inverted" and are priced at \$250 unused and \$80 used. The type II increases used from \$6 to \$7, on cover from \$9 to \$10, in a pair from \$17.50 to \$20 and with stitch watermark from \$10 to \$12. No. 33, the 3c increases all along the line unused, from \$4 to \$5 singly, from \$12 to \$15 in pair, from

\$16.50 to \$20 in a strip and from \$30 to \$40 in a block. No. 34, the 5c, increases from \$350 to \$400 unused. The 12c increases \$10 unused also.

In the perforated (1857-60) the 1c is increased a dollar unused, with pairs and strips in proportion. 3c No. 44 with "Steam" cancel drops 50c in price while same stamp with "Steamboat" is increased 50c. No. 45 the 5c, unused increases \$5 and the 10c No. 49 from \$27.50 to \$30. Pairs of the 10c jump \$5 and No. 49a is increased a like amount unused. The 10c No. 51 on Pony Express cover, a variety not priced in previous editions, is now valued at \$600.

The 10c "August" is now priced at \$50 with a blue cancel and \$60 if with blue town. The 1c "September" increases 25c unused, and 50c on cover and in pair. Pairs of the 3c lake jump \$25 and blocks \$50. No. 68 10c increases \$1 in single unused and \$2.50 in block, the 12c \$2.50 unused and \$10 in block. The 90c on cover, if you're lucky enough to find one, is now a \$300 item.

That old favorite the 2c Black Jack, increases used from 80c to \$1, on cover from \$1.50 to \$1.75 and in a pair from \$2.25 to \$3. The first and biggest increase in the whole catalog it seems is in No. 73a, this stamp printed on both sides, used, which goes to \$1500 from \$1200. Which might tempt a lot of collectors to peel their copies off cover in hopes of finding a gold mine in back of Andy's head.

No. 75 3c red brown is increased \$10 unused and unused pairs go up \$25. "Short Paid" cancels on this stamp are now priced, \$15. The ever popular 15c Lincoln is increased from \$27.50 to \$30 unused and the companion 24c up slightly used both singly and in pairs.

In the jungle of assorted grills are a number of changes, none startling, but mostly a dollar on singles. No. 83 used is up \$1.50; No. 85 used up 50c; 1c No. 86 up \$5 unused and used \$1 with covers, etc., in proportion. The split grill on the 2c No. 87 is now considered worth a dollar more, and in fact this freak on almost all stamps is increased in proportional amounts. The 12c No. 90 used is up \$1, while with double grill it's now \$25. The "F" grill on the 2c gets a 25c raise used, while the very thin paper variety is jumped \$1.50. Quadruple grill on the 3c No. 94 is now priced at \$2, and pricings are now made for No. 94 with "Free" cancel at \$5 and numerals at \$1.50. The 5c No. 95 increases \$5 unused and \$1.50 used. The quadruple split grill on the 10c No. 96 is now

priced, \$15. The 24c No. 99 is priced at \$50 with a "paid" cancel and increases \$5 in ordinary used.

Japan cancellation on the early issues are priced more often than not, and it seems that a real attempt has been made to price all the cancellation varieties listed of the 19th issues. The tendency seems to be to avoid the use of dashes in most such listings. In the '69s, the 1c with Japan cancel is now priced at \$10, the 3c at \$7, the 6c at \$15, the 12c at \$12, and the 15c type II at \$13.50. Other changes in the '69s include pricing the 2c double transfer at \$4, "Short Paid" on the 6c at \$25, "Paid All" on the 10c at \$20, "Too Late" on the 12c at \$20, reducing green on the 12c from \$17.50 to \$7.50, and substantial increases in cancels of the 15c type I, which with ordinary cancel is increased \$2.50. The 24c is now listed with Supplementary Mail cancel—at \$75. The 30c on cover is \$300. In the 1869 re-issue the 30c and 90c each increase \$5 both used and unused.

In the 1870 Banknote Issues the 7c vermilion is increased a dollar used, the 12c violet \$250 unused and the 90c No. 144 up \$2.50 used. In the set without grill the 6c is upped 10c in used condition, covers and pairs up 50c. The 7c vermilion here also is increased both used and unused, as well as the 10c brown. The 30c No. 154 is increased \$5 unused.

The 5c Taylor of 1875 is increased 15c used. 1c 1879 increases 50c unused and the 6c pink goes up a quarter used. Someone evidently found an unused block of the Special Printing of the 4c No. 211D, for its existence is indicated by a dash. The 1887-1888 issues show for the most part increases of only a few cents, but the 90c No. 218 is increased a dollar used and unused and in used blocks is now a \$50 item.

The 1890 imperfs are increased rather uniformly about 25% and the perforated increase 25c to 50c each, blocks in proportion. Here the new prices for varieties on cover begin. The 10c in this form is only 25c, but the 15c is \$8, the 30c \$10 and the 90c the seemingly low proportionate figure of \$15.

Columbians continue their climb of recent years, from 5c on the 1c to \$5 on the four highest values. Blocks increase as high as \$100 each and used specimens keep pace with the unused. Reading these prices it is hard to believe that for a number of years these stamps were a drug on the market at face value.

The first Bureau printed issue, that of 1894 shows a number of real jumps.

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No. 250, the 2c carmine type I is jumped from \$30 to \$40 unused, while Type II on cover is priced at \$2.00. The values from 15c to \$5 increase from \$1 to \$10 each with the used block of the \$5 jumping \$200. and the others in proportion. On cover the \$1 is priced at \$30, the \$2 at \$100 and the \$5, \$150. While these figures may seem low in relation to scarcity, actually there is as yet little demand for the higher values of issues of 1894 to date on covers, other than first days or with special cancels and consequently these prices probably accurately reflect the current market for them.

In the 1895 set, nothing radical is noted in increases, the 2c type II being increased a quarter unused and \$2 in a block. On cover it's a \$2 item. Others on cover are priced as follows: 6c and 15c \$3.00, 50c \$10, \$1 type I \$20, type II \$30, \$2 at \$50 and \$5 at \$75. The dollar values increased as high as \$5 each singly and blocks high as \$100.

The 1898-99 set increased from 3c on the 1c to \$1 on the 15c. The Omaha commemoratives imitate the Columbians, mostly in blocks in the lower values, with single stamps up to the 10c increasing at most 50c. The 50c is increased \$3, and the two dollar denominations \$5 each, blocks \$25 each, with used varieties increasing about half that much.

Pan-Americans all increase, from 5c to 50c on mint singles and in blocks of the 4c to 10c values from \$2 to \$2.50 each. Used blocks increased in the same amounts.

The 1902 series is priced on cover, some of the values being surprising. The 3c is \$3, the 4c and 5c both 40c while the 6c is \$2. The 8c is 50c, the 10c is 25c and the 13c is \$3. The 15c and 50c are each \$10, the \$1 listed at \$20 and the \$5 at \$100. The \$2 is unpriced. Unused the higher values increase as much as \$5 and used as high as \$2.50. The imperfs reflect the prices they have been bringing of late, centerline block of 1c being \$60 and the 5c a thousand dollar block—a \$200 increase. The 2c No. 320 imperf increases 50c.

Blocks of the two lower Louisiana Purchase set are increased, while the 5c and 10c are increased substantially in all forms, blocks of the 5c being up \$5 and of the 10c up \$10. Jamestown show only slight changes in singles, the 5c going up 50c used and unused and used blocks of it increasing \$5.

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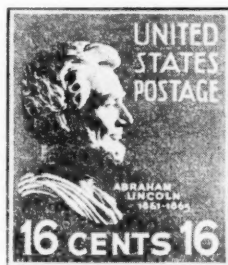
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• The wild and woolly West is calming down. The post office of TRIANGLE F. RANCH in Sublette County, Wyoming, is changing its name on December 1st to the uninspiring cognomen of BONDURANT.

• It's a good thing the catalog publishers contemplate a new method of numbering for with the Second World War seemingly getting closer and closer, plenty of elasticity will be needed for all the war issues. No properly conducted war nowadays neglects the postal service.

• The first issues of Virgin Islands were printed in sheets of 20, 24 and 25, the designs being so crudely put together that by some error the figure of the Virgin was omitted from one of the one shilling stamps.



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Akron, Ohio.—19th Annual Open House of the Rubber City Stamp Club, Dec. 3-4 at Hotel Mayflower.

Butler, Pa.—Third Annual Exhibition and Open House, Butler County Philatelic Society, Nov. 12-13, Hotel Nixon.

Chicago, Ill.—Chicago Antiques and Hobby Show, Nov. 14-19, Stevens Hotel.

Hartford, Conn.—Fourth American Philatelic Congress and Meeting of Southern New England Federation of Stamp Clubs, Nov. 11-12, Hotel Bond.

Kent, Ohio.—Exhibition and Open House of the Kent and Ravenna stamp clubs, Nov. 12-13, Hotel Kent.

New York City.—Second National Stamp Exhibition, Museum of Science and Industry, Nov. 5-13.

Peekskill, N. Y.—Exhibition, Cortlandt Stamp Club, Dec. 1-2.

Reading Pa.—Seventh Annual Exhibit, Nov. 13-20, corner Centre Ave. and Spring St.

Washington, D. C.—Open House and Exhibition, Washington Philatelic Society, Nov. 10-11-12, Carlton Hotel.

West Chester, Pa.—Second Annual Exhibition by the West Chester Stamp Club, Nov. 23-27, at the Art Center.

Wichita, Kans.—Seventh Annual Exhibition of the Wichita Stamp Club, Nov. 27-30, at Hotel Lassen.

Stolen Stamps

Argentina #4, 4a and 4b are fairly common even today because the two packing cases in which the remainders of these had been stored at Buenos Aires, were found to have disappeared when inquiries were made about a large quantity in sheets being offered in the stamp centers of 1866. In short, the remainders were stolen and no one seems to have ever been apprehended!

• It costs as much as \$1.40 per pound to send packages of printed matter by the winter plane service to Canadian frontier towns.

• J. E. Guest, Sales Manager of the A. P. S. reports a total of \$47,795.80 in sales during the fiscal year just ended, making a total of over \$830,000 since he became Sales Manager.

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surtax collected on special sets of semi-postal stamps termed "Winter Help" issues. The 1934 set of these shows various types of professions, such as stone cutter, chemist, blacksmith, etc. One of the stamps, as illustrated, shows a draftsman at work and the testimony at New York indicates some of the Winter Help funds went towards drafting supposedly secret plans of the U. S. defense. Stamps have been used to obtain funds for everything from cricket fields to monuments, but this seems to be the first time they were used to obtain espionage funds.

AUCTION CALENDAR

- Nov. 10 & 12—A dealer's stock of foreign. Paul Bluss, 99 Nassau St., New York City.
 Nov. 11—U. S., Br. Colonies, etc. Cosmos Stamp Co., 116L Nassau St., New York City.
 Nov. 16—U. S. and Foreign. Lambert W. Gerber, 203 Rowe, Tamaqua, Penna.
 Nov. 21—Mail Sale. H. Wendt, Waverly, Iowa.
 Nov. 23 & 26—227th Sale. M. Ohlman 116L Nassau St., New York City.
 Dec. 9—At Trenton, N. J. U. S. and Foreign. Lambert W. Gerber, 203 Rowe, Tamaqua, Penna.
 Dec. 28—U. S. and Foreign. Lambert W. Gerber, 203 Rowe, Tamaqua, Penna.

Lost Division Honored

Spain's latest commemorative set consists of two stamps of denominations of 25c and 45c, issued by the Loyalists to commemorate the Forty-third Division of the republican army which last June was cut off from the rest of the Loyalist forces and held out in a large area of the Pyrenees. The scenes on both values are of soldiers in defensive positions in the snow-clad mountains.

- British Colonial collectors had a narrow escape, when Nyasaland's £10 George VI stamp was inscribed "Revenue" instead of "Postage—Revenue."

Chicago Celebrates International Philatelic Week

Chicago stamp clubs are planning a full week of activities to properly put over International Philatelic Week. On Sunday, Nov. 13, the First Czechoslovak Philatelic Club of America will hold an exhibition and bourse at Stefanik Court, Pulaski Road and 25th St., 10 A. M. to 10 P. M. Monday, Nov. 14, there will be a rally with speakers, etc., by the North Shore Philatelic Society at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, commencing at 8 P. M. Wednesday, the Austin Philatelic Club will present a play in their clubrooms at the Town Hall. On Thursday evening The Chicago Philatelic Society and Chicago Woman's Stamp Club are co-operating on a Junior Night at the LaSalle Hotel. Friday evening will be Precancel Night, a meeting of the Chicago Precancel Club at the LaSalle Hotel. Saturday will feature a broadcast over WHFC at 3:15 P. M., and the Annual Stamp Collectors Get-Together Banquet and Dance at the Hotel Knickerbocker, tickets \$1.50.

The Central Federation of Stamp Clubs, of which Fred W. Peters, 5401 Berenice Ave., Chicago, is Chairman, has turned over to the Progressive Philatelic Society the distribution of poster stamps advertising the Week. These may be obtained of the P. P. S. at \$1.75 per thousand postpaid by addressing them at 3008 N. Whipple St., Chicago. Any profits will go to aid shut-in collectors.

- BETHEL COLLEGE, Kansas, one of the few "College" postmarks still to be found, will be changed to NORTH NEWTON on December 1.

- WHITE BLUFF, Miss., won't have a post office after November 15.

Sudeten Overprints

As philatelic reminders of the Sudeten troubles, stamp collecting has two provisionals, created when postoffices in the region were cut off from further supplies of the 1.20 krone value. A simple overprint of "1.20" was applied to the 50 haleru portraying appropriately enough President Benes, and also upon the 1 krone Masaryk.

- BALD PRAIRIE, Texas, will be short of its post office after November 30, this prairie's pate becoming more barren than ever.

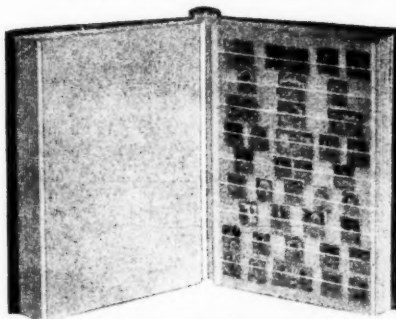
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Editor's Notebook

DOUBLE While the turbulent republic crossed lying along our southern border has been very active of late in reducing the value of foreign investments in Mexico, stamp collectors had calmly assumed these activities did not include them. Evidence at hand now shows that the value of many of our Mexican stamps has been reduced as drastically as have the bonds and stocks of foreign-owned oil companies. However greatly the present Mexican government may differ in political theories from its predecessors, it certainly is trimming philately as thoroughly as any of the bandit regimes of former days. Not content with issuing commemoratives and airmails of needlessly high face value, the postal officials have opened a "Philatelic Agency" which differs considerably in operation from that of the United States. Not only does the Mexican Agency sell current and recent issues at face value, but vaults have been ransacked to form a generous assortment of obsolete issues which are offered at various premiums over face value. The ones offered in this manner are stamps not on sale at post offices for years and consequently many collectors and dealers have specimens of these for which they have paid more than the prices now asked by the Agency.

One of the stamps now offered was issued nearly twenty years ago, yet can be bought now for less than half what it cost a year ago. Only a thousand copies, by the way, were supposed to have been printed, which doesn't agree with quantities now known to exist. Other stamps which the Agency offers to all comers include some which at time of issue were

doled out in such small numbers that not enough were then available to go around. No explanation is offered of how these remainders could be in existence now, when at time of issue the stamps were supposed to have been sold out. All of which does considerable damage to philately, not to mention the already none-too-robust philatelic reputation of the Mexican Republic. The value of many a collection and stock book has been decreased and other issues are viewed with suspicion that they too may appear in a similar none-too-honest manner. When these obsolete issues were current the Mexican postal service received large sums from sales to collectors. Now, years later by issuing more of them, they certainly have double-crossed the original purchasers as well as those others who have since purchased specimens from dealers. Our Mexican friends should look to Russia to see what happened when that country became a dealer in its stamps as well as printer of them.

—R. R.

Perfs and Imperfs

MRS. J. W. MARSH OF LA MESA, Calif., wrote into *Collier's* protesting the "whole untruthful tone" of that article "Stamp Stampede." Mr. Morris answered that "I was duly warned . . . there would be criticism. I am satisfied . . . that the authorities we consulted and asked to pass upon this article after it was completed are sufficiently expert and reliable to accept their judgment." Mrs. Marsh says the question that's puzzling her now is, who were the "authorities"? Offhand we'd say the authorities must be the same ones who said that 1c 1861 stamp of newspaper fame was worth \$50,000.

DON MARTIN, HYDRANT TENDER of the Visiting Firemen of Philately, and Fred Green, librarian of the Garfield Perry Stamp Club, paid the Linprint office a short visit on their way home to Cleveland. Seems the New Orleans A. P. S. Convention drew a big crowd, registrations alone totaling 400 or so. Next year's convention will be at San Francisco and the G-P delegates said their club was angling to have the meeting in 1941 at Cleveland to coincide with the Golden Jubilee of the Cleveland Club.

NOW THAT SEGAR THE CARTOONIST creator of Popeye, the national hero, is dead, we wonder if Segar wouldn't be a fitting candidate for that set to honor the nation's non-military great. Or isn't the creator of a hero and years of laughs eligible?

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The 1939 Specialized Catalog

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The 1c 1908-10 is doubled from 10c to 20c in singles and from 75c to \$1.50 for commonest block. The 3c to 10c denominations are up 25c to 50c and the 10c and 15c up 75c. Bluish papers are increased \$5 each in the commonest ones (still not very common as you may have noticed).

In the 1909 commemoratives the chief increases are in the imperfs. The Lincoln is up 50c both ways, the Alaska 75c unused and 25c used, and the Fultons up 25c both forms. The Lincoln imperf is increased \$5 on cover, and the bluish paper is now priced on cover at \$75 with used blocks now priced same as unused blocks. Alaskan imperf on cover is also now \$15 and a new listing, that for exposition cancel, is \$25.

In the 1910 issue, several values show no changes and aside from the 8c increasing \$1, the others range from 3c to 50c each. The coils on cover show some surprises. Of the endwise varieties perf. 12, the 1c and 2c on cover are \$4 each, and the sidewise of the same perforation are \$10 and \$50 respectively! The perf. 8½ varieties are not so spectacular ranging from \$3 to \$5 each on cover.

The Panama-Pacific commemoratives show most changes in the perf. 12 set used, with increases there as high as 25% in singles and blocks. The 10c perf. 10 increases \$5 unused in singles with no change in unused blocks, but used blocks jump from \$20 to \$35, probably the largest proportional increase in any of the commemorative listings in the 1939 edition.

In the 1912-15 series the 7c alone increases, going from \$5 to \$6 unused and from \$25 to \$30 in block. The 1912 coils are not anywhere near so desirable on covers as the 1910, these listing at the most \$1.00.

Higher values of the 1912-15 show some changes as supplies of these have never been plentiful. No. 421, the 50c increases from \$17.50 to \$20 and is now a \$100 block. The \$1 is the same price.

1914-15 perf. 10s show very few changes, most occurring in the low values. No. 444 the 2c perf. 10c coil is increased from \$2.50 to \$3.50 and same rate in pairs. The 3c sidewise coil No. 445 is priced at \$50 on cover though off-cover it is priced at only \$9. The rotary press coils imitate this price on the 3c No. 456. The 1915 2c single-line wmk. sheet stamp with perf. 11 is now \$8 both forms.

Practically the only noticeable change in the 1916-17 perf. 10 unwatermarked is the 5c carmine error, which has been attracting more than usual attention of late. The single stamp is jumped from \$40 to \$50, the single error in block of 9 from \$50 to \$60, and double error in block of 12 from \$90 to \$110. On cover the error is priced at \$100.

No. 481 in plate block from the electrolytic plate jumps from \$10 to \$25 which may reflect the recent re-introduction of this method of making stamp plates. The perf. 11 5c errors are also increased in the same proportion as the perf. 10s. A single is increased from \$22.50 to \$25, in block of 9 from \$27.50 to \$30 and block of 12 with double error from \$50 to \$55. On cover the perf. 11 is priced at \$50. The others of the 1917-19 show few and minor changes. The \$1 on cover is priced at only 75c. The 2c with double-line watermark on cover is \$50.

That popular high value, the \$2 orange red and black increases \$3 in single form unused and \$2 used. In blocks it increased \$25 unused and \$15 used. The \$5 shows increases only in used form, 50c on singles and pro-rata in blocks. On cover, by the way, it is \$10.

The regular variety of the Victory commemorative shows no change. The red violet on cover is \$25 and the pale red violet just one-tenth that much. No. 544B is still known only in singles and remains unpriced as no sales have been recorded. No. 546, the 2c coil waste increases from \$4 to \$6 both ways and is now \$30 a block both ways, though formerly it was not priced used in that form and only \$20 unused. Pilgrims increase only up to 50c on singles.

The 1922-26 issue shows slight increases as high as 30c, though some values show no change. In the rotary printings the 7c No. 588 drops from 45c to 40c and from \$2 a block to \$1.75. This stamp at first was scarce but subsequently quantities appeared long after other values had been off sale. No. 595 the scarce 2c perf. 11 is now priced the same used and unused. On covers it's \$50.

That Type II of the 2c rotary which started out with a rush has dropped considerably, reflecting the quantities since found. The coil stamp drops from \$12.50 to \$5 unused and from \$1.50 to 50c used. An unused pair is now \$10 (was \$25) and line pairs dropped from \$35 to \$15. Used pairs are now priced at \$1.50. The sheet stamp fared somewhat better, increasing unused and decreasing in used form. Unused it jumped from \$10 to \$15 in singles, in blocks from \$50 to \$75, and in plate blocks from \$100 to \$150. Used it dropped from \$1 to 35c and from \$5 for a block to \$3.

The Commemoratives from 1924 on show no major increases, Walloon 5c is up 25c unused, used blocks of 2c Norse up 50c, 5c Norse singles up 25c both ways and in blocks up \$1 both forms. Hardings are up as much as 25% and the Ericsson increases 15c in singles.

The White Plains souvenir, sheet is given vacant catalog number of 630 and jumps from \$7 to \$9 both used and un-

used. The 5c Hawaii is the only one of the 1927-28 commems to change. Unused it increases 15c in singles and both kinds of blocks increase 75c. From here on changes are from 3c to 25c on commemorative items, the smaller figure on a few singles unused and the larger being a reduction in Tipex. Atlantic City and Omaha panes increase a dime each.

The search for Kansas and Nebraska overprints, particularly blocks, sees these jump in blocks from \$30.75 for Kansas to \$38; and from 36.50 to \$52 for Nebraska.

The Parks set and the Farleys show no changes of note, though a few small reductions in used form occurred. The two Century of Progress sheets, and the Byrd sheet are still listed both under the Farleys and in their proper place among the regular issues, different catalog numbers being used. Why this is continued when no actual difference exists is a mystery. The same is true of the Atlantic City and Omaha panes. A sheet of 1c Century under 1933 is listed at \$1.00, while the 1935 re-issue is listed at \$1.25. Actually the only way to tell sheets apart is by their margins—no certain guide even then. The Omahas and Atlantic City apparently rate separate listings because one issue had gum and the other hadn't.

Airmails increase in the first two issues and drop in most of the later ones. The 1918 set is up \$1.25 the set of mint singles and \$8 in blocks. The 1923 set is up \$1.65 in singles and \$8 in blocks. The Map types are down a little as these are still current issues. The 5c of 1928, 1930 and 1931 are up 3c each. 1930 Zepps drop \$11 in singles and \$50 in blocks in both forms, the catalog price of \$45 still being about \$10 at least over current market quotations. The 50c Zepp of 1933 is down \$1 used and unused and down \$5 in unused blocks. Used blocks are now priced at \$12.50. Later issues as well as the 16c blue Air-Special drop slightly.

Some of the Parcel Post increase, highest being \$2.50 on the \$1.00. Most of the Special Deliveries show increases, largest being that making the 1916 perf. 10, \$10. The Registration stamp too comes in for a little attention increasing from \$1.25 to \$1.75 in single form and from \$6 to \$9 in blocks. The Newspaper high value reprints of 1899 are now \$1 each in singles and \$5 each in blocks.

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This year's catalog is a great improvement over that of previous years, particularly in the matter of illustrating. It is to be hoped the editor, Hugh M. Clark, will continue his efforts to improve the book. On the critical side, might be voiced the opinion that some of the issues are separated into major varieties on far too technical differences. Particularly is this noticeable in the 1851-60 issues where plate varieties are accorded major catalog variety status with separate catalog numbers as if these had been separate issues. The offset issues present the same bewildering mass of very minor differences to confuse even the advanced collector. Actually, only a very few collectors of U. S. pay any great attention to such minor differences and most would not bother with them at all if they were not listed by the catalog editors as major varieties. Some of the listings under the Farley's are also too highly technical, in that stamps are given different catalog numbers simply because of difference in the size of the issued sheets, one size being a variety of the other. Others are separated by reason of their having or not having gum, a debatable choice. Other than these criticisms the book fills the needs of the U. S. collector very well, both as a reference volume or handbook and as a guide to values. The prices in general follow the market and considering that much variation occurs in U. S. stamp values because of condition the catalogers have tried rather successfully to follow this with numerous notes. Bound in tan cloth, 410 pages, thoroughly illustrated the volume may be procured at \$3.00 of the publishers, Scott Publications, Inc., 1 West 47th St., New York City or from almost any dealer.

• Park Smith of Capetown, South Africa, sends us a copy of a pamphlet published by the *Times* (London, England) discussing the newly inaugurated "All Up" air mail service in the British Empire.

U. S. NOTES

Dr. K. T. Bauer asks the arrangement of panes of the new \$1 and \$2 stamps, especially if the size of plates, and plate markings differ from the plates of those denominations of the 1922-23 issue. There is considerable difference between the \$1 and \$2 stamps of the two issues. The \$1 and \$2 1922-23 were printed from 200 subject plates but before being issued the sheets were cut horizontally in half, making panes of 100 stamps. Plate numbers appeared over stamps number 3 and 8 in the top row of the top half of the sheet and under stamps number 93 and 98 in the bottom half. The usual center line was placed vertically between the fifth and sixth rows and horizontally between the 10th and 11th rows of the plate, but since the cutting was along the horizontal line only the vertical guide line and its full arrows may be obtained in full on a block, the other of course being split and always on a straight edge stamp. No center line blocks could exist under this method of layout and cutting. The \$5 1923 was printed from 100 subject plates, and as it was bicolored, a plate was made containing only the frame portions of the design and another plate containing only the vignettes, as in printing a separate plate and operation is required to produce each separate color. The three dollar denominations of the 1938 series are printed very much like the \$5 1923, as all are produced from 100 subject plates and issued in sheets of that size. Centerlines were inserted as usual, quartering the sheet, having the arrow at each end. The \$5 1923 plate markings are quite simple compared to the 1938, for that stamp had only the blue number (vignette) over stamp 4 and "\$5.00" over stamp 6, with red plate number (frame) over stamp 7, with the vertical arrow line appearing between stamps 5 and 6 and ending in a large arrow. The 1938 dollar values have the expression of value, as "\$1.00," in color of the vignette over stamps 1 and 10; above the gutters between stamps 1 and 2 and 9 and 10 appears a sort of cross formed of a short vertical line in the color of the frame and a short horizontal line in the color of the vignette. The frame plate number appears above stamp 5 and the vignette plate number above stamp 6

with the vertical centerline terminating in an arrow between those two stamps. No numbers appear on the sheets on sides or bottoms and the only markings extending being the other center lines with arrow. Thus of the new dollar values you can obtain four different arrow blocks, a centerline block, numerous line blocks, all fully perforated and the top arrow block will also contain both plate numbers. A similar block of the \$5 1923 would have had to be four stamps wide, though sheets of this stamp too contain the other centerline and arrow blocks.

It's the present location of the painting copied on the 10c Omaha (not the \$1.00 as mentioned here Oct. 8) that is unknown. The artist was A. G. Heaton. We had one too many zeros in that note.

Several readers have inquired the numbers issued of various recent commemoratives. Captain Townsend has written up these for us and as soon as figures are released we will print this data on all that are no longer on sale at the Agency. A table of covers, stamps sold on first day, etc., will soon appear of the Presidentials.

Leonard E. Dear of Pierre, S. Dakota, found a copy of the 3c Jefferson Presidential on a business letter, the stamp having been cancelled at Philip, S. D., on June 14—two days before the date it went on sale for the first time at Washington, D. C. Apparently the Philip postal clerks don't read the *Postal Bulletin* or the notices in stamp shipments.

The auction catalog for the Oct. 22 sale of Alvin Good, 455 Old Arcade, Cleveland, Ohio, included an unusual offering. This was a file of a volume of the *Hudson Enterprise*, on six of the papers appearing an adhesive stamp about $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$ inches inscribed at top "Enterprise Post" with picture of stage coach in center and below "Hudson, Ohio —2 cents Paid." The paper had established a delivery system in July, 1880, and the stamps are recent discoveries.

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The Postage Stamp Parade

A Record of New Issues and New Discoveries

By RAY SHEPARD—1529 Duxberry Ave.—COLUMBUS, OHIO



Australia's new reign set of which more values are expected

BULGARIA—King Boris Twentieth Anniversary. Issued October 3rd. All are upright rectangular format, perf. 13, unwmkd:

- 1L. light green (King Boris in General's Uniform)
- 2L. reddish brown (Bust portrait in General's Uniform 1918)
- 4L. sepia (Bust portrait, but wearing a visored cap)
- 7L. deep ultramarine (Bust portrait, Admiral's uniform 1938)
- 14L. reddish purple (Full length portrait in General's uniform 1938)

(California Collectors Club)

GERMANY — Nuremberg Congress and Hitler's Culture Fund Issue. Semi-postal. Engraved, sheets of 50 (10 x 5), unwmkd., perf. 14; design similar to the birthday commemorative noted by us May 28th, but inscribed "Reichspartitag 1938." Also the head appears larger. (Our correspondent says it swollen):

- 6pf. plus 19pf. deep green (Hitler)

(R. Roberts)

HAITI—Error. The 10c. 1935 "Dumas" issue has been discovered in sheets with a vertical row of perforations missing. About a dozen sheets showing this variety are believed to have existed of which four were broken up and the stamps used for postage.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

HUNGARY—400th Anniversary of Debrecin College Commemoratives. Wmkd. double cross on pyramid mult., perf. 12. 6f., 10f. and 20f. are horizontal rectangular format and the other three are upright:

- 6f. deep green
- 10f. sepia
- 16f. red-brown
- 20f. deep carmine
- 32f. slate-green
- 40f. ultramarine

(Morris Jacobowitz)

INDIA—Gwalior. Official stamps. Wmkd. mult. star, perf. as before. Underrated values of King George VI design of India overprinted for official use in this state:

- 1/2a. brown
- 1a. red

Underrated value of the King George V design, Nasik printing has likewise been overprinted for official use in this state:

- 5R. purple & blue

Nabha. King George VI Issue of India, overprinted in one line "NABHA STATE," in black. Wmkd. mult. stars, perf. 13 1/2 x 14:

- A80—3p. slate
- A80—1/2a. brown
- A80—9p. green
- A80—1a. carmine
- A80—2a. scarlet
- A80—2 1/2a. purple
- A80—3a. yellow-green
- A80—3 1/2a. ultramarine
- A80—4a. brown
- A80—6a. peacock blue
- A80—8a. blue-violet
- A80—12a. carmine-lake
- A82—1r. brown & slate
- A82—2r. dark brown & dark violet
- A82—5r. deep ultramarine & dark green

Official Stamps. Two under-noted stamps overprinted in black in two lines "NABHA STATE SERVICE." Wmkd., mult. stars, perf. 13 1/2 x 14:

- A80—9p. green

A80—1a. carmine

(R. Roberts)

PERU—New Pictorial Issue. Recess printed, perf. 12 1/2, 13, unwmkd.

- 2. emerald-green (Children's Holiday Center)
- 4c. orange-brown (Chavin Pottery)



- 10c. scarlet (Motor Roads of Peru)
- 15c. ultramarine (Archaeological Museum, Lima)
- 20c. magenta (Industrial Bank of Peru)
- 50c. greenish blue (Artisans' Dwellings, Lima)
- 1sol. deep claret (Toribio de Luzuriaga)
- 2sol. green (Historic Fig Tree)
- 5sol. dull violet & brown (Idol from Temple of Chavin)
- 10sol. black & ultramarine (Mt. Huascaran)



Air Post Stamps. To go with the above set.

- 5c. violet-brown (Popular Restaurant at Callao)
- 15c. dark brown (Monument on the Plains of Junin)
- 20c. deep magenta (Rear Admiral Manuel Villar)
- 25c. deep green (View of Tarma)
- 30c. orange (Irrigation Works, Ica River)
- 50c. green (View of Iquitos)

- 70c. slate-blue (Motor Road and Railway Passing)
- 80c. olive ("San Lorenzo Balcony")
- 1sol. slate-green (Section of Plaza San Martin)
- 1.50sol. purple (National Radio of Peru)
- 2sol. indigo & orange-brown (Chavin Monument)
- 5sol. brown (Ministry of Public Works, Lima)
- 10sol. olive-green & indigo (Crypt of the Heroes, Lima)

(Nelson Foster)

SPAIN — 43rd Division Commemoratives. Loyalist Issue. Lower value is horizontal other upright rectangular format. Perf. 11 x 11 1/2, unwmkd:

- 25c. deep green (Machine gun company in mountains)
- 54c. deep brown ("Lost Division")

(Morris Jacobowitz)

SYRIA—Provisionals. An increase of 25% in the postal rates put into effect Sept. 1st, resulted in the under-noted provisionals. Quantities issued are noted after each:

- A14—2.50P. on 4P. yellow-orange (250,000)
- A17—5P. on 7.50P. dull blue (800,000)
- 12.50P. on 10P. blue (400,000)

The last value above shows the portrait of the President and was not issued without surcharge.

New Value. Photogravure, unwmkd., perf. 13 1/2. Large upright format, design new portrait (Atasi):

- 20P. sepia

(Benjamin T. Barody)

TIMOR — New Regular Issue. Name and value in black, unwmkd., perf. 13 1/2 x 13:

Postage

- 1a. gray-green (Vasco da Gama); 2a. orange-brown (same); 3a. dark violet-brown (same); 4a. bright green (same); 5a. dark carmine (Mousinho de Albuquerque); 6a. slate (same); 8a. rose-violet (same); 10a. bright red-violet (Prince Henry the Navigator); 12a. red (same); 15a. orange (same); 20a. blue (Fomento); 40a. gray-black (same); 50a. brown (same); 1P. brown-carmine (Alfonso de Albuquerque); 2P. olive-green (same); 3P. blue violet (same); 5P. red-brown (same).

Air Post

- 1a. scarlet (Aeroplane over Globe); 2a. purple (same); 3a. orange (same); 5a. ultramarine (same); 10a. lilac-brown (same); 20a. dark green (same); 50a. red-brown (same); 70a. rose-carmine (same); 1P. magenta (same).

(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

VENEZUELA—Postal Provisional. Underrated stamp surcharged with new value in three lines "VALE Bs. 0, 40 1938." Perf. and wmkd. same as original issue:

- A51—40c. on 5B. brown (nurse & child)

Labor Day Commemorative. Line engraved, unwmkd., perf. 12. Sheets of 50 (10 x 5):

- A61—25c. dark blue (Statue of Simon Bolivar)

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Philatelic Labels

There has already been shown much interest in the list of Philatelic Labels which is now being printed in this paper. A further listing is given herewith. Clubs issuing new labels, please send specimens for inclusion in the listing.

In order that there may be less confusion I will ask all who wish to help in supplying information for this list, that they report anything unlisted, to me at once, but that their reports be confined week by week, solely to the states that are printed and listed each week.

Address your letters regarding this listing to George W. Linn, 531 N. Park Street, Columbus, Ohio.

NEW JERSEY

ATLANTIC CITY

Atlantic City Stamp Club (1936)

1-1 Miniature sheet of four identical stamps each in different color, with surcharge in center of sheet in black. Surcharge "ATEX" club emblem and "1936" and at bottom margin of sheet "At the Colton Manor" surcharged over "At the Hotel Madison." Stamps are in green, purple, red and blue. Gummed, imperforate, white paper.

Atlantic City Stamp Club (1937)

1-2 Souvenir sheet of single stamp 3x2 for "Atex 1937" Second Annual National Philatelic Club Championship, April 22, 23, 24, 1937. Printed in blue on white, surcharged with club emblem and "1937" in gold. Gummed and perforated.

CAMDEN

Association of South Jersey Stamp Clubs (1938)

2-1 Single stamp in souvenir sheet $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{8}$. Map of South Jersey. Third annual stamp exhibition, February 18, 19, 20, 1938. Purple on white, gummed and perforated.

NEWARK

Stampex (1936)

3-1 National Philatelic Exhibition 1936. Stampex, October 22, 23, 24, 25, Newark, New Jersey. Stamp $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$. Gummed and perforated. Brown on white.

New Jersey Philatelic Federation (1934)

1-1 Souvenir sheet of four identical triangle stamps with apexes to center of sheet, $3\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{8}$. New Jersey State Stamp Show, fourth annual stamp exhibition, Newark 1934. Stamps in green, blue, red and purple with black center.
1-3 Green and black on white.
1-4 Blue and black on white.
1-5 Red and black on white.
1-6 Purple and black on white.

JERSEY CITY

New Jersey Philatelic Federation (1933)

1-1 Stamp $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$. Jersey City Stamp Show, Nov. 27-Dec. 9, 1933. Red and blue on buff, gummed, unperforated.

NEW YORK

BRONX

Bipex 1937

1-1 Souvenir sheet $3\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$. Bronx Interboro Philatelic Exhibition. "Jonas Bronck Purchasing Land 1639." Three different stamps in strip of three in center of sheet. Gummed, perforated around stamps. Entire sheet in blue except center stamp in orange. White paper.

BROOKLYN

B. & L. I. S. E. A. (1934)

2-1 Probably forerunner of BALISEA. Stamp $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$. Third annual stamp exhibition, 1934. Red frame with Brooklyn Bridge in center in black. Gummed and perforated. Red and black on white. Purple and black on white.

Brooklyn and Long Island Stamp Exhibit Association (1935)

2-2 BALISEA, Miniature sheet of four identical stamps, $3\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$. Picturing Memorial Arch Brooklyn. Fourth annual stamp exhibition, March 28 to 31, 1935. Unperforated, gummed, black on white.

BALISEA (1937)

2-3 Brooklyn and Long Island Stamp Exhibit Association. Stamp $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$. Sixth annual exhibition, February 11, 12, 13, 14, 1937. Statue of Liberty. Imperforate. Red and blue on white.

Brooklyn and Long Island Stamp Exhibit Association (1938)

2-4 BALISEA, souvenir sheet 3×4 . Seventh annual Exhibition, February 1938. Gummed, unperforated, deep blue, pale blue and light brown.

BUFFALO

Bison

3-1 Stamp, $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$. Society stamp, two globes, Buffalo and Stamp Album. "Bison Philatelic Society" in ribbon at top. "Buffalo" in left and "N. Y." in lower right corner. Blue on white, gummed, unperforated.

Bison Philatelic Society (1935)

3-2 Miniature sheet, $3\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$. Four society labels showing two globes, Buffalo and stamp album. Two at top in blue, lower left in orange, lower right in green. Second birthday party, January 9, 1935. Blue, orange and green on white, ungummed.

Bison Philatelic Society (1936)

3-3 Miniature sheet, $3\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$. Spauldings 2 cts. Penny Post label at top. Third Annual Party, 1936. Blue on Buff, ungummed.

Bison Philatelic Society (1936)

3-4 Stamp, similar in size and design to Bavaria A18, 5 Mark orange on white. Inscribed in lower label in black, "Bison Post 1936." Gummed and perforated.

Bison Philatelic Society (1937)

3-5 Miniature sheet, $3\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$. Society stamp with two globes, buffalo and stamp album in center, in orange, and surcharge with shamrock in green. St. Patrick's Day Party, March 17, 1937. Orange and green on white, ungummed.

Bison Philatelic Society (1937)

3-6 Miniature sheet, $3\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{8}$. Society label of two globes, Buffalo and stamp album in center, surcharged Fourth Anniversary 1937 in black. Fourth Annual Party, January 6, 1937. Brownish red and black on white, ungummed.

Bison Philatelic Society (1938)

3-7 Miniature sheet, $3 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$. Design similar to 30c Buffalo U. S. stamp, in center, in red, surcharged with aeroplane in blue. National Airmail Week, May 15-21, 1938. Red and blue on white, gummed.

Bison Philatelic Society (1938)

3-8 Miniature sheet, $3\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{8}$. Society stamp similar to 30c U. S. Buffalo stamp, in center in brown. Fifth Anniversary, January 12, 1938. Brown and green on white, ungummed.

Bison Philatelic Society (1938)

3-9 Souvenir sheet $3 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$. Third annual spring party, March 16, 1938. Similar to 30c Buffalo stamp, in center of sheet with shamrock at sides. Ungummed. Green on white.

Bison Philatelic Society (1937)

3-10 Miniature sheet $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$. Society stamp —two globes, Buffalo and stamp album in center. Fourth anniversary party, January 6, 1937. Gummed, imperforate. Red on orange.

ENDICOTT

Endicott Philatelic Club (1932)

4-1 Stamp, $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$, printed in sheets of 20, four wide by five high. Perforated, straight edge around sheet. Stamp inscribed "Endicott Philatelic Club—Endicott, N. Y.", also "SPAUDINGS" and "Sunshine Vitamin D Bread." Dated 1932. Printed in red and black, gummed and perforated, white paper.

NEW YORK

Russika (1938)

4-4 Stamp, $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$. Date "1938" at top in curved ribbon above oval with statue of man on horse. In small panel below: "Russika Philatelic Exhibition, New York Branch." Brown and blue on buff, gummed and perforated.

4-5 Same, all in black on white paper, un-

gummed and unperforated. (This may be a clipping from a program.)

New York Hobby Collectors Show (1935)

5-1 Miniature sheet, $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$, stamp with Statue of Liberty in center. "Official Souvenir" in small letters in top margin. The New York Hobby Collectors Show, April 15-20, 1935, Pennsylvania Hotel. Engraved, blue on white, gummed and perforated.

SALAMANCA

Salamanca Philatelic Association (1935)

6-1 Stamp, $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2$. Engine turned design of stamp with female portrait in center. First Annual Exhibition, December 3, 1935. These stamps are printed in sheets of different colored stamps in the sheet. Gummed and perforated. Violet on white.
Green on white.
Blue on white.

SYRACUSE

International Mail Society

7-1 Stamp, $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$. First Annual Convention International Air Mail Exhibition, Syracuse, N. Y., October 29, 30, 31. Design shows a plain lined circle with inscription within the circle. Badge of the Society in center. Gummed and perforated. Green on white.

7-2 Brown on white.

Lima Conference Issue

Peru has announced details of the six stamps authorized last July to commemorate the Eighth International American Conference to be held in Lima in December. The three ordinary postage comprise: 10 centavos, Palace Square in 1864; 15 centavo, City of Lima, scene of American Congresses in 1847, 1864, 1877 and 1938; and 1 Sole, Government Palace. The three airmails will include: 25c, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Torre-Tagle Palace of Viceroy days); 1.50 soles, National Congress; 2 soles, portraits of three Peruvians connected with the three previous congresses, Manuel B. Ferreyros (1847), Dr. Jose Gregorio Paz-Soldan (1864), and Dr. Antonio Arenas (1877). The stamps will be in four sizes ranging from 30x40 mm. to 45x35 mm. 50,000 each will be issued of the sole values and 100,000 to 200,000 of each of the others.

—Clipping, Nelson Foster, Peru.

• In the new George VI set for St. Lucia the name of Columbus Square is now correctly spelled, the George V set having it "Colombus."

• Two points on Canada's map that were once just railroad sidings now have post offices: Alpen Siding, Alberta and McInnis Siding, Ontario.

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GAY DECEIVER

Of all the articles written in recent months the one about the B70s of OHIO cities has brought more comment than any other. The interesting and humorous side of the whole thing is that I when writing that article really intended to convey the thought that while some of these items were not rarities yet they were not plentiful and should be filled in as soon as possible if wanted, and at a reasonable price. Some of the boys thought "Aha, he has them," and started writing in to buy them. But

alas and alack it is too true I do not have them, especially in blocks, and a lot were disappointed. Now if I could just cook up some article about some of the other precancels I do have that would be something.

TYPE COLLECTOR'S WORRIES

The DATED CONTROL ruling kinda complicates matters for the type collector. He has to make the decision of including one of the Overprints on each type as it appears or pass them up. In other words he must take them WITH or WITHOUT. Of course he can't pass up the types that are made especially for use with the control marks, so he might as well climb on the band wagon and enjoy the fun.

NOTES

Eddie Christ's *Mound City Precancelist* came in with the 1c Providence Presidential on it. I imagine Eddie will send you a copy if you ask him. Address Edwin C. Christ, 200 College Ave., Columbia, Mo.—Auction lists are getting thicker. Have a couple sent you if you are in the market for the scarce items. You generally find them offered there.—1c Pres. from Sisseton, S. Dak., in U-12 and a 1c Pres. Coshocton, O., U-121.—First 3c Pres. to come thru the paper mill is a Greenwich, Conn., item in U-17.

Naval Cancells — Cachets

By FREDERICK W. HORTON
ANCS 656

P.O. Box 390, Port Chester, N. Y.

The ANCS Argonauts will sponsor a cachet for the First Day in Commission of the submarines USS Sargo and Sculpin. Send 2 covers (*) to Alex Hesse, Jr., 449 Troutman Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Send only one cover for each event.

The David Bushnell Chapter No. 48 USCS will sponsor a Christmas cachet mailed from three different ships. Send 6 3/4 covers (*) to Fred O. Lammlein, RCD 166, 112 Butler Street, New Haven, Conn. Deadline Dec. 8th.

Loring W. Stannard, RCD 133, 218 Main Street, Derby, Conn., will handle covers for the shakedown cruise of the USS Ellet, Davis and Sargo. Collectors are requested to send 10 covers for each ship (*). Postage dues will be refused. Deadline Jan. 1st, 1939.

J. P. Clark, 1480—171 Ave., San Leandro, Calif., sends in a list of collectors whose covers were returned under cover to him. Kindly send Clark a No. 10 envelope self-addressed and stamped for the return of your covers. Robt. Blandings, N. E. Boller, M. Brill, J. Brookfield, Chas. E. Brown, Jos. Brumbaugh, Wm. Burns, C. R. Butterfield, Ethel Discher, Alfred Dowle, J. Carr, J. Leo Cronin, W. J. Edgar, C. Emerson, Gordon Fisher, H. W. Hill, John Hof, A. Joale, Wm. Judisch, Jos. Kirstein, Dorothy McClusky, Wm. R. Martin, R. S. Mounce, H. Wm. Peterson, Selina Quillion, Marian Reeves, Karl Schauerman, Karl Scheufler, Calvin Seabold, H. Skoch, R. B. Smith, Loring W. Stannard, D. Stetson, Mrs. M. Struckman, H. Upleger, A. Wilkinson, L. M. Wood.

Paul J. Gross, 1510 Leishman Ave., Arnold, Penna., will obtain cancells from any U. S. Naval Vessel. Send any number of unsealed and unstuffed covers as fillers will be used, and mention ships desired in particular. No cachets however (*).

Murray Hart, 527 E. Jersey Street, Elizabeth, N. J., will sponsor cachets for the admission of the states of Illinois and Mississippi to the Union. Collectors should mark covers for events wanted and send covers now (*).

Your editor, (address at head of column) will sponsor an ANCS Argonauts cachet for the first Xmas aboard the submarine USS Seal. The cachet will be designed by P. J. Ickerling of New York City. Send any number of unsealed and unstuffed covers (*). Deadline Dec. 1st.

Several weeks ago a notice appeared in this column to the effect that all sponsors who wanted their notices listed in this column must be Registered Cachet Directors. At the suggestion of the former editor of this column, Marshall R. Hall of Columbus, Ohio, this ruling will NOT be enforced, in other words sponsors should disregard this notice.

Covers for the commissioning of the Benham can be sent to R. A. Weiss, 51a Sherman Place, Jersey City, N. J. Right away.

(*) Means include forwarding of 1c per cover.

Unofficial 21c First Day

Alumni of Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., where President Chester A. Arthur graduated in 1848, are planning to mail covers from that city on the day the new 21c stamp portraying Arthur is first issued. A plane will fly a supply of the stamps from Washington on the first day, Nov. 22, and members of the Schenectady Stamp Club will assist in affixing the stamps to covers for collectors, applying a cachet picturing the dormitory where Arthur lived. Collectors desiring these should remit 21c per stamp by cash or money order to Milton M. Enzer, Siliman Hall, Union College, Schenectady, and sending their covers addressed but unsealed, allowing plenty of space for affixing stamps and applying cachet. Deadline Nov. 10. No charge is to be made for this courtesy.

• U. S. Postmasters are being urged to get contestants to register their essays, cartoons, etc., for contestant gets evidence of delivery and P. O. gets more cash.

• The French franc is now worth only about 2.7 cents, which makes it quite clear why the French Colonial Agency no longer issues the 1 centime and 2 centime denominations of Colonials.

Current U. S. Airmails

Evidently even U. S. postmasters are frequently in doubt as to just what stamps are currently being produced for use on airmail, for the Postal Bulletin reminds them in the October 7 issue that the denominations available are: 6, 10, 15, 20 and 50 cents, in addition to the 16c Special Delivery Airmail stamp. Unless requisitions for 20c are specifically endorsed "Trans-Pacific" the stamps supplied postmasters will be the 20c "map" design. The Bulletin reports that "requisitions in large numbers" are still being submitted for the 25c Trans-Pacific though distribution of this stamp was discontinued at the time the rates were reduced in February 1937. Which indicates that there is a demand for these stamps, or else postmasters think there will be. Possibly stocks on hand were used on heavier pieces and proved popular with mailers, hence the re-ordering.

• Only one copy is known of the 20c 1922 Canadian Special Delivery with design printed on back of stamp, though rather lightly.

• Watertown, Conn., won the state prize for best cachet for National Air Mail Week.

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AUSTRALASIAN NOTES

S. ZELENKO

AUSTRALIA

Further additions to the new series of Australia appeared on October 3. These were the 1/2d and 1sh, 4d denominations, which replaced the George V stamps of the same values.

The 1/4 stamp is printed in a deep rosin shade and its design is similar to that of the current 3d stamp, the same portrait of the King being used. The main difference between the 1sh, 4d and 3d stamps is to be found in the wattle sprays at the upper sides. These have been re-engraved in the 1sh, 4d stamp and show up more distinctly.

The halfpenny stamp is printed in a shade of mid-chrome, and shows a kangaroo facing left in profile with its head tilted slightly to the left. It is surrounded by typical "outback" country with young gum saplings in the middle distance and hill country in the far background. This design depicts the "Australian native" in surroundings much nearer to reality than its predecessor which survived for over twenty-five years, perched in the center of the continent.

Stamp fashions come and go just like any other fashion. The latest craze for miniature sheets is now definitely abating and this is also reflected in the pioneer miniature of the British Empire, the Kookaburra 3d block of 4 issued in 1928. Several months ago, at the height of the "miniature" excitement the sheets were being sold at anything from \$2.00 upwards, but their price has now slumped, although they remain popular with Commonwealth collectors.

Talking of miniature sheets, I have just handled a very desirable one, a complete sheet of the 5/- Sydney Bridge. The sheet consists of twenty specimens only, four horizontal rows of five and makes a first class miniature sheet.

FIJI

The new pictorials have won over many collectors who have become inter-

ested now in the issues of this colony. As will be noticed many of the designs are devoted to native water craft of different build and this is intended to refer to the outstanding ability of the Fijians as shipbuilders of small craft in which sea voyages of several hundred miles are undertaken. The 1 1/2d value (red) depicts an outrigger canoe afloat on the water, and it seems rather strange to see it unoccupied and apparently abandoned.

This will now be remedied, for according to latest advice from a reliable source this design is to be reengraved to show a native seated in the boat. This announcement has caused many speculative collectors and others to buy up substantial quantities of this value, and the Post Office in Suva is running short of the stamp. It is not known at this stage whether further quantities of this value in the old design will be sent out from London or whether the altered design will be supplied.

Information Wanted

The President of the Souvenir Issues Assn., Dr. Chas. H. Evans, 144 Harrison St., East Orange, N. J., is searching for information on two items which appear to be souvenir or miniature sheets. One is a single 3c Puerto Rico 1890 type with an inscription in Spanish surrounding it: "Centary of the Siege by the English—1797-1897", the whole being perforated 12 outside the inscriptions. The other mystery items are sheets containing strips of five of the Persian 1915 Coronation issue, stamps being normal or with centers inverted. Any information should be sent Dr. Evans.

• The Bechuanaland Protectorate overprint on the 6d King Edward Transvaal stamp, issued in 1910 and cataloging \$15. is a revenue stamp (Scott's No. 81). To meet a shortage of Bechuanaland 6d revenues the Transvaals were overprinted, but Transvaal revenue and postage stamps were the same thing. The overprints though acceptable for postage were not used for postage except in a few instances, being scarce in this form. The same applies to the unlisted overprint on the 1d Union of South Africa of 1921. Here too the stamp was prepared for a revenue shortage.

• A recent court ruling in the Argentine declares that mint stamps may be imported without being subject to duties, though such had been collected until then.

—Clipping, H. G. Spanton, Buenos Aires.

• Every time Afghanistan needs more of the low face value 2 pous stamp it seems to use any color of ink available to print them. Since 1932 it has appeared in brown, black, gray, red and pink with intermediate shades and imperforate as well.

BROADWAY CHATTER

B Y B I S T A N D E R

I know that many of you readers are interested in learning some of the prices realized at the Uptown Stamp Co.'s auction sale of U. S. stamps. This sale was exceptionally fine, run in usual manner. Prominent dealers who were present stated they were more than happy to see such fine prices for U. S. stamps, and it is a sure sign of better conditions. In the "entires," there is an interesting example, the Scott No. 2325, 6c on buff unused, catalog \$150, sold for \$78.00. The No. 2424, 2c type d, cat. \$75, sold for \$41.00. I have always raved about the value of condition, and have shown analogies of how better condition has always brought better prices. Now I am beginning to wonder how this fits in with the Columbian Series. For example, a damaged copy of the \$4.00 Columbian, with a thin spot sold for \$31.00; this stamp catalogued at \$50.00. The 30c Columbian, catalogued at \$8.00, brought \$6.30. The 50c Columbian, catalogue \$10.00, brought \$7.20. No. 315, the 5c Imperforate block of four, catalogue \$110.00, brought \$81.00, and the centerline block of No. 373, the Hudson Fulton which catalogues at \$30.00, brought \$25.50. It would be interesting to note that the 373 centerline block sold for only \$10.00 at an auction sale last year. No. 505, the 5c double error, in a block of twelve, which catalogues at \$51.00, brought \$42.25. As the sale progressed, the auctioneer started his

famous chant on the Farley lots, and as each lot was sold, a chorus of whistlers gave their expression of astonishment for the prices realized for the Farley Issues. The Zeppelin series, No. 1312-14, sold for \$32.50 per set, in singles. Revenues, and Possessions were better than average. It might also be interesting to note No. 573, current \$5.00 used, was sold in a lot of 100, for \$31.50. This stamp was for the past few years, underrated, as many dealers have and are still selling this stamp for 25c. The same may be true for the Tipex Sheets, where seven sheets were sold as a lot and brought \$1.50. It was only a short while back when this sheet was selling on Nassau St. for 15c to 18c.

In his auction sale to be held on Nov. 10-12, Paul Bluss, New York auctioneer, will place on sale the balance of Jack Rubins stock of New Issues of the past five years.

The New York chapter of the American Stamp Dealers Association is having a meeting here in New York to discuss stamp burglaries. Among the speakers will be Detective Daniel J. Champion, and Joseph Mayer.

Reading Exhibition

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